

**Minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Lockhart River
Aboriginal Shire Council held at the Offices of the Lockhart
River Aboriginal Shire Council on the 17th of November 2015.**

Attendance: Cr Wayne Butcher – Mayor

 Cr Norman Bally – Deputy Mayor

 Cr Rebecca Elu

 Cr Veronica Piva

 David Clarke – CEO

Meeting declared open by the Mayor at 10:10am

Apologies: Cr Paul Piva – travelling to Cairns

Declarations of Conflict of Interest: No conflicts

Issue: **Apologies Cr Paul Piva**

Resolution 1: That the apologies of Cr Paul Piva be accepted as advised.

Moved: Cr W. Butcher Seconded: Cr V. Piva

All in favor Motion passed

Issue: Minutes of the regular meeting of the LRASC of the 17th of
November 2015.

Resolution 2: That the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the 27th of
October be accepted as a true and accurate record of that
meeting.

Moved: Cr W. Butcher Seconded: Cr. V. Piva

All in favor motion passed

Issue: Community Resilience Fund application

Council prepared a submission for funding of \$4,382,992.00 to the Community Resilience Fund of the Department of Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning targeting improved road treatments for 11 crossings between Garraway and Browns Creeks, 6.6 Kms of road sealing, and additional road formation and re-sheeting works to be delivered in the 2016/2017 Financial Year. This fund usually requires a 40% contribution from the submitting Local Government. The CEO advised extended negotiations with DILGP had resulted in this prerequisite contribution being reduced to 5% or \$219 149.60 in this instance. Council was asked to consider their investment approach to this matter.

Resolution 3: That Council commits to a project co-funding investment of 5% of the project costs or \$219149.60 and advises DILGP of this decision.

Moved: Cr W. Butcher Seconded: Cr N. Bally

All in favor Motion passed

Issue: Budget variation to support the co-contribution of \$219149.60 to the Community Resilience Fund application.

Resolution 4: That Council endorses a budget variation of \$219149.60 to support this application should it be successful.

Moved: Cr V. Piva Seconded: Cr R. Elu

All in favour Motion passed

Issue: QRA funding 5.13 Old Mission Road 2013/2014 financial year

The CEO advised Council of the outcome of protracted negotiations with QRA over works undertaken perceived to be “out of scope” on the Old Mission Road delivered in the 2014 dry season. Originally QRA advised works delivered to the value of \$186 000.00 were deemed to be out of scope and not

recoverable by Council. The CEO, working closely with Black and Moore and Dean Patchett of QRA sought a number of reviews on the matter with the end result that a sum less than \$1000.00 have been deemed ineligible. Council will now be reimbursed the balance of the outstanding funds.

Issue: Building Better Regions Application – Lockhart Water Park

Mayor Cr Wayne Butcher, tabled correspondence advising Council's application for \$400 000.00 towards the development of a Water Park has been successful noting Council has a budgeted commitment of \$100 000.00 of self-generated revenue towards this project.

Resolution 5: That Council engages appropriate specialists to work up the scope for implementation of the Water park project.

Moved: Cr W. Butcher Seconded: Cr N. Bally

All in favor Motion passed

Issue: Renovation of the Old Canteen Building

As a preliminary to possible future redevelopment of a licensed premises in Lockhart River, Council needs clarity on the suitability of its old licensed premises to conduct licensed activities in the future.

Resolution 6: That a structural engineer be engaged to assess the capacity of Old Canteen building to be renovated up to Licensing Commission standard and report back to Council.

Moved: Cr V. Piva Seconded: Cr W. Butcher

All in favor Motion passed

Issue: Finance Report period ending 30th November 2015 prepared by Relieving accountant, Anja Culleton.

Resolution 7: That the Finance Report for the period ending 30th November 2015 be accepted as tabled.

Moved: Cr W. Butcher Seconded: Cr N. Bally

All in favor Motion passed

There being no further business the meeting was closed by Mayor Cr W. Butcher at 12:15pm.